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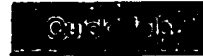


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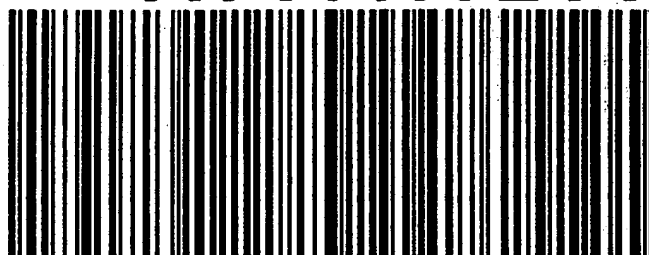
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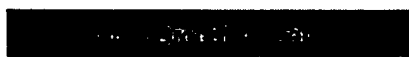
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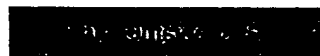
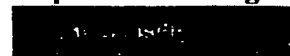
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RE: U.S. Patent Application No. 09/976,686
Title: FAIL SAFE RECOVERY
Filed: October 11, 2001
Inventors: Jeffrey S. Hastings *et al.*
Our Ref.: 22407-05490

Dear Roger:

As you may be aware, Sonicblue filed the above-referenced patent application covering your and Jeff Hastings' invention. As part of the application process, we are required to seek your signatures on the enclosed declaration, power of attorney, and assignment. In general, the declaration states that you are an inventor of the Fail Safe Recovery invention, the power of attorney authorizes us to prosecute the application, and the assignment assigns rights in the invention to Sonicblue.

Please review the enclosed specification, claims, and drawings and, if appropriate, sign the documents in the order listed below:

DECLARATION: Please perform the following steps in the following order to execute this document:

1. Review the enclosed application.
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As the below named inventor(s), I/we declare that:

This declaration is directed to:

- ☐ The attached application _____ or
☒ Application No. 09/976,686, filed on October 11, 2001,
☐ as amended on _____ (if applicable);

I/we believe that I/we am/are the original and first inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought;

I/we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above;

I/we acknowledge the duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me/us to be material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, including material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the National or PCT International filing date of the continuation-in-part application, if applicable; and

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FULL NAME OF INVENTOR(S)

Inventor one: Jeffrey S. Hastings Citizen of: United States

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Inventor two: Ruxiang Wang Citizen of: PR China

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Inventor three: _____ Citizen of: _____

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ASSIGNMENT

For good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the person(s) named below (referred to as "INVENTOR" whether singular or plural) has sold, assigned, and transferred and does hereby sell, assign, and transfer to Sonicblue Incorporated, a Delaware corporation, having a place of business at 2841 Mission College Boulevard, Santa Clara, California 95054-1838, ("ASSIGNEE"), for itself and its successors, transferees, and assignees, the following:

1. The entire worldwide right, title, and interest in all inventions and improvements ("SUBJECT MATTER") that are disclosed in the provisional application filed under 35 U.S.C. §111(b) or non-provisional application filed under 35 U.S.C. §111(a) and entitled FAIL SAFE RECOVERY ("APPLICATION"), which:

☐ is to be filed herewith

☒ was filed on October 11, 2001,

now bearing U.S. application number 09/976,686; and

2. The entire worldwide right, title, and interest in and to:

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